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Attention—Embargoed Until Following Vote on H.R. 571--Attention

Istook Votes to Support the War on Terror

Washington, D.C. – Rep. Ernest Istook (R- Warr Acres) cast a vote in favor of completing the mission in Iraq Thursday. Istook voted against House Resolution 571, which called for the immediate withdrawal of U.S. forces from Iraq.

Istook issued the following statement on the vote:

"Politicians who demand immediate withdrawal of our troops are being irresponsible," Istook said. "They're playing political games with the lives and safety of our troops, and that of the Iraqi people. We all want our soldiers home right away, but only as part of an orderly transition. Iraq has a new constitution and is holding elections for a new government. Then the Iraqi's can take charge of their country's security, so our people can come home to the heroes' welcome that they deserve."